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Subject: New Income Codes for Volunteer Payments

Broadcast to All Staff
From The Policy and Program Development Team
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New Income Codes for Volunteer Payments

Effective July 1, 2002 two new earned income codes will be added for various volunteer payments. The codes are listed below:

- VP Counts AmeriCorps earnings for Temporary
 Assistance and Adult Public Assistance, but exempts the
 AmeriCorps earnings for Food Stamps.
- VP EX Exempts volunteer payments for Temporary Assistance, Adult Public Assistance, Medicaid and Food Stamps. The code is used for payments provided to volunteers under:
 - Senior Companion Program;
 - Foster Grandparent Program;
 - Retired and Senior volunteers Program;
 - University Year for VISTA;
 - o Literacy challenge Grant; and
 - VISTA Literacy Corps.

Additionally, effective July 1, 2002, the **VI** code will no longer be used.

Field Staff: Only cases you manually access will change. Cases in 'Roll' status will not change and benefits continue to roll using the previous month's information, which is error-prone.

If you have a case with a **VI** code, you must manually go through the earned income (EAIN) screen to affect this change. If you try to go through the EAIN without changing the code, you will get an edit, *CE616-E INCOME TYPE NOT RECOGNIZED*, and must change the code before continuing. If you skip the EAIN screen and just go to the FSAD, you will get another edit, *CE838-S INCOME FOUND WITH UNRECOGNIZED TYPE/SUBTYPE*, and the FSAD will be blank.

If you have any system-related questions, please contact the Help Desk at EISHELP@health.state.ak.us. If you have policy questions, please contact DPA Policy at DPAPolicy@health.state.ak.us or Joan

Chase at <u>Joan Chase@health.state.ak.us</u>.